

PREFACE

Ilha do Desterro's 35th anniversary represents the systematic process of consolidation of an academic journal whose first publication was in 1979 as "A journal of Criticism Centering Around the Invisible Generation". In 1984, the Editorial Committee decided to expand the scope of the journal by publishing articles in the areas of English Language and Linguistics. The articles we have published since then reflect the academic changes in the field of Literatures in English, English Language, and Linguistics. The "Retrospective Issue" here presented celebrates the journal's consolidation as a vehicle for the publication of the most representative academic research work in the field within a Brazilian and a world-wide contexts.

Our *English Language and Linguistics Retrospective Issue* includes articles published in the last 15 years of the journal, including the specific research areas of Translation Studies, Text Analysis, Writing, Interfaces between Literature and the teaching of a Foreign Language, Second Language Acquisition, Critical Reading and Psycholinguistics. The Editorial Committee of *Ilha* and the invited editors, who have assisted us along these years, selected the articles that best represent the research work and teaching interests of professors, researchers and graduate students working in the area of English Language and Linguistics—an area that, in the last two decades, has expanded its scope of interest and academic research.

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Finally, we want to thank our readers, subscribers, and researchers who have helped us to maintain the circulation of the journal—at times of financial difficulties and drawbacks—and also to consolidate it as one of the most important vehicles of academic publication in Brazil.

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